

7. (New) An image reader according to claim 1, wherein the readout section comprises a light source for irradiating light to the document, and the control section controls the quantity of irradiation light of the light source based on the reflected light from said second standard white board.

8. (New) An image reader according to claim 2, wherein the readout section comprises a light source for irradiating light to the document, and the control section controls the quantity of irradiation light of the light source based on the reflected light from said second standard white board.

31 9. (New) An image reader according to claim 7, wherein the control section controls the quantity of irradiation light of the light source, based on a difference between a first data of quantity of light of the first standard white board and a second data of quantity of light of the second standard white board.

10. (New) An image reader according to claim 8, wherein the control section controls the quantity of irradiation light of the light source, based on a difference between a first data of quantity of light of the first standard white board and a second data of quantity of light of the second standard white board.

11. (New) An image reader according to claim 5, wherein said correction of the quantity of irradiation light of said readout light source is performed based on a difference between a first data of quantity of light of the first standard white board and a second data of quantity of light of the second standard white board.

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 are now pending in the application. Claims 7-11 have been newly added herein. Support for such claims is found, for example, in the original specification at page 13, lines 13-15, and page 23, line 18 to page 24, line 5. Favorable reconsideration of the application, as amended, is respectfully requested.